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SELECTIVELY CONFIGURING ALARMS
PRIOR TO COMMENCING SILENT MODE
OF OPERATION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method, apparatus and computer program product are provided to selectively configure alarms prior to commencement of a silent mode of operation. In the context of a method, an indication of at least a start time for a silent mode of operation of a device is received. Responsive to the indication of at least the start time for the silent mode of operation, one or more alarms are identified. Each alarm has an activation mode and an activation time during the silent mode of operation of the device. Responsive to identifying one or more alarms and prior to commencing the silent mode of operation, the method also causes a prompt to be presented regarding a potential change to at least one of the activation mode or the activation time for at least one alarm that was identified.

While in the silent mode,
how should the alarm for
Event A be administered?

- ☐ Audible alert
- ☐ Vibrational alert
- ☐ Visual alert
- ☐ Do not administer alarm

(Select one or more)

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